

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1833**  
ANSWERED ON 07/08/2024

**Nandini Sahakar Yojana**

1833. # DR. BHIM SINGH:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the objective of the Nandini Sahakar scheme being run by the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC);
- (b) the assistance approved and disbursed under this scheme in Bihar during the last three years and the current year, district-wise, the details thereof; and
- (c) the benefits received by women cooperative societies from this scheme in Bihar State, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION  
(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a): Nandini Sahakar Scheme by National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) is a women focused framework of financial assistance, project formulation, hand-holding and capacity development aimed at assisting women cooperatives to take up business model based activities under the purview of NCDC. There is no minimum or maximum limit on financial assistance to projects by women cooperatives.

Nandini Sahakar Scheme was launched with the objective of aligning itself with the principles of Atmanirbhar Bharat outlined by Hon'ble Prime Minister. The scheme is a framework of assistance to improve socio-economic status of women. It supports entrepreneurial dynamism of women through women cooperatives. It converges critical inputs of women's enterprise, business plan formulation, capacity development, credit and subsidy and interest subvention of other schemes.

(b) & (c): NCDC funding is project based. No Proposal has been received so far from any women cooperative in Bihar under Nandini Sahakar Scheme.

However, cumulatively as on 31.03.2024, NCDC has disbursed financial assistances of Rs.6426.36 crore for the development of cooperative societies exclusively promoted by women across the country.

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